Fair Price Shops in South Kanara.

*Q.—766. Sri S. GOPALA SALENNA (Mudabidri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of fair price shops opened in South Kanara District and the places of their location ;

(*b*) whether the number of representations and Telegrams were received from South Kanara regarding the soaring prices of foodgrain in the South Kanara District ;

(*c*) what are the steps taken by the Government to meet the full demands of foodgrains in South Kanara District ;

(*d*) whether they intend to subside the foodgrains to reduce the present retail price level in the consumer foodgrain shops in South Kanara District ?

A.—Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) There are 35 Fair Price Shops dealing in Foodgrains in addition to 50 fair price shops dealing in Sugar.

They are situated in Mangalore Town.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Rice, wheat, wheat products and Sugar allotted by the Government of India are being supplied to the extent available to South Kanara District for distribution to bonafide consumers through Fair price shops Co-operative Institutions and Industrial Co-operatives at the prescribed prices according to local conditions and requirements.

(*d*) It is expected that the action taken as indicated in the reply furnished to Qn. (C), would bring down the prices to a reasonable level. The question of snbsidising foodgrains does not arise.

Payment of increased D. A.

*Q.—767. Sri S. GOPALA SALENNA (Mudabidri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have issued orders for the payment of increased D.A. to the employees of Mysore State Government, Municipality and Local Boards in the State and if so, when ;

(*b*) the maximum benefit to the employees in the sanction of increase in D.A. to each cadre of services in (*a*) above as proposed by the Government with the date from which each cadre of employees are entitled to get the said increase in D.A. per month ?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Finance).—

(*a*) Orders in respect of Government servants have been issued and this has been brought to the notice of Honourable Members. Regarding Local Bodies this is under consideration of Government.

(*b*) The increase in Rs. 5 per month for all employees drawing salary up to Rs. 385 and marginal adjustment for officers drawing pay between Rs. 385 and Rs. 400 from 1st April 1964.

Supply of Electric Pump sets at Doddaballapur

**Q.*—774. Sri G. RAME GOWDA (Doddaballapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of applications received by them from the ryots of Doddaballapur taluk up to 1-1-64 for the supply of Electric Motor pumps on hire purchase basis;

(*b*) the number of pump sets supplied so for ;

(*c*) the number of companies that are approved for the supply ;

(*d*) what is the cost of each set at the destination ;

(*e*) what is the guarantee given by the company ;

(*f*) what is the reason for the delay in supply of pumps ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) 104.

(*b*) 16 (up to end of May 1964).

(*c*) 17.

(*d*) the average cost of each pump set is as follows :—

3 H. P.	Rs. 840
5 H. P.	Rs. 1,000
7.5 H. P.	Rs. 1,250
10. H. P.	Rs. 1,450

(*e*) The pumpsets are guaranteed for satisfactory service upto one year.

(*f*) There has been no delay in the supply of pump sets to eligible ryots who have fulfilled all the required formalities and to whom loan is sanctioned by the District Agricultural Officer.